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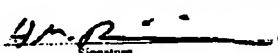
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 17, 2003, the Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time, from March 17, 2004 to June 17, 2004 to file the attached response. Please charge the extension fee of \$475 to deposit account 06-1130. If there are additional charges with respect to this election or otherwise, please charge them to deposit account 06-1130, maintained by the applicant's attorneys.

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